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Title : HIGH TENSILE STRENGTH  
: HOT-ROLLED STEEL SHEET  
: HAVING SUPERIOR STRAIN  
: AGING HARDENABILITY AND  
: METHOD FOR PRODUCING  
: THE SAME

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Sir:

Your Petitioner, T. Daniel Christenbury, represents that he is patent counsel for JFE Steel Corporation, which is the owner of the entire interest in the above Application Serial No. 09/937,889 filed October 2, 2001 for HIGH TENSILE HOT-ROLLED STEEL SHEET HAVING EXCELLENT STRAIN AGING HARDENING PROPERTIES AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE SAME, as evidenced by an Assignment recorded at Reel 12630, Frame 0162, in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office records, and the change of name document filed September 16, 2003 (copy enclosed). JFE Steel Corporation is also the owner of U.S. Applications Serial No. 10/341,166, No. 10/341,165 and No. 09/980,513 as evidenced by an Assignment recorded at Reel 12502, Frame 470, and corrected at Reel 13296, Frame 618, of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office records, and the change of name document filed September 16, 2003, convenience copies of which are also attached. Your petitioner has reviewed the relevant

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